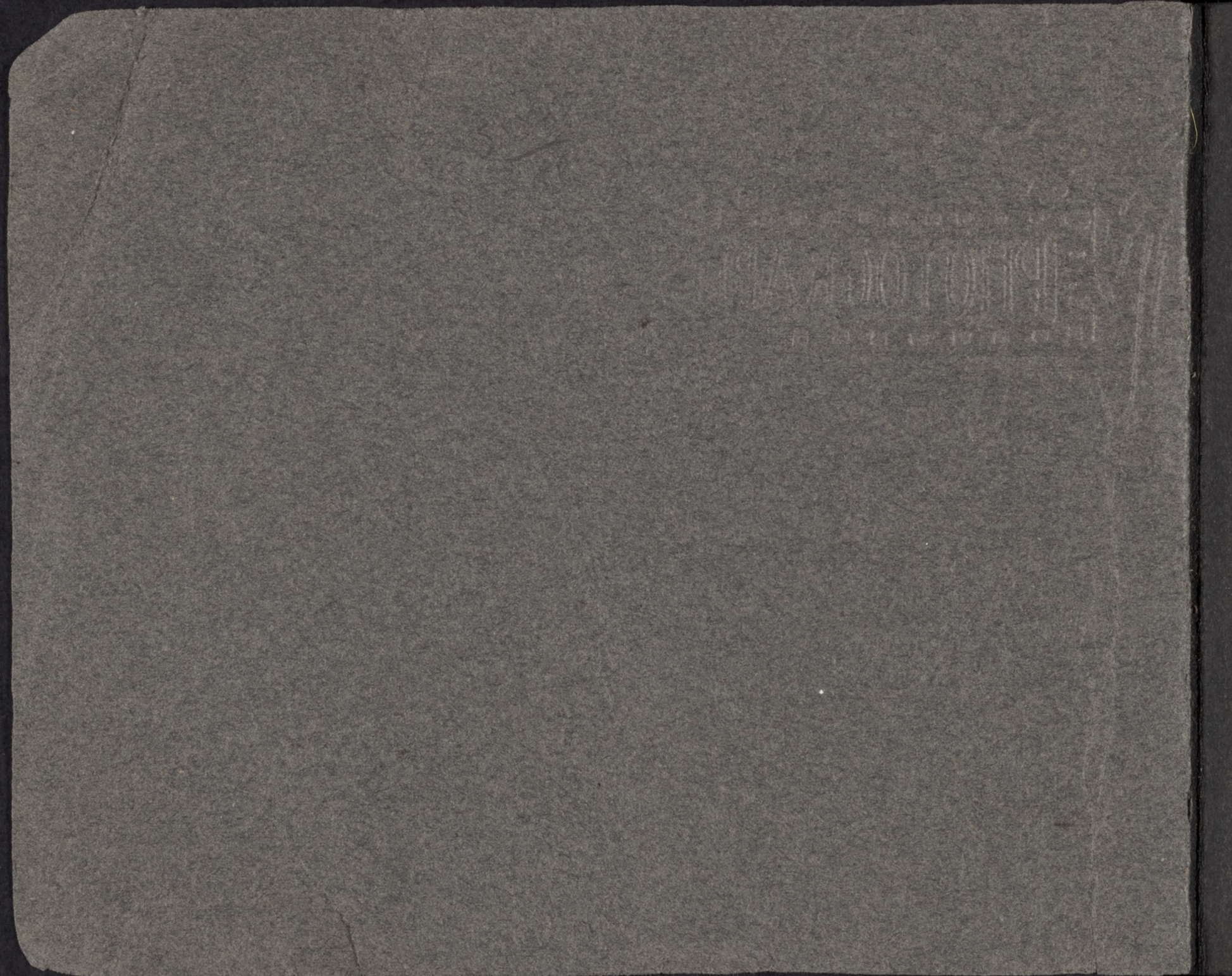




Memories Of A
Three Weeks Sojourn In
Sonoma County During
August, 1908.



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To The Left is a Glimpse
of The Napa Asylum.

At 8 o'clock A. M. Sunday, Aug. 9th, 1908, Gussie Kaufman and yours truly, left by team for the Sonoma Co. coast. We arrived at Winters at 11.15 o'clock and after laying in some more supplies we proceeded across the bridge into Solano Co.

After getting about 4 miles from Winters the soil becomes a red gravel, suitable only for sheep pasture and such it continues to be until within about 5 miles of Vacaville. Indeed the soil around Vacaville isn't such as you'd expect to find around such a noted fruit center.

We ate our luncheon about 8 miles out of Winters and 6 miles from Vacaville.

When we got near Vacaville we couldn't see a quarter of a mile for smoke as a big mountain fire was raging and how our eyes & nostrils ached.

After having crossed the bridge at the fruit sheds, we turned to the right and at the next block we should have turned to the left and followed the pole line; but we didn't know this and kept on the right hand road which brought us past where the fire had been raging but it was then under control. By taking this road we went $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles out of our way. Vacaville has many beautiful residences. Fairfield is about 16 miles from Vacaville and is a small town considering



A Mountain Schoolhouse.
Such schoolhouses are common in the
Sonoma Counties.



On a Mountain Grade Near Plantation
Sonoma County

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it is the county seat of Solano Co.

With in about 4 miles of Fairfield are the Napa Cement Works. Suisun is a mile south of Fairfield. We turned at Fairfield and went west 5 miles where we camped for the night. On this road the famous Pierce ranch is located with its large peach, prune, pear, apricot and cherry orchards. On the south side of the road is the residence a palatial edifice set in a beautiful and well kept lawn. On the north side are the barns, creamery office, bunk houses and the overseers residence. They employ many Chinese and Hindus. $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles south of where we camped is Cordelia.

Before you get to Cordelia you come past several big vineyards and a winery. Here also is Stone Bros. quarry where we often hear them blasting from at home.

Southeast of Cordelia seems to be nothing but tules and swamp. The country after you get past Cordelia is nothing but a dairy & stock raising district. Nearer Napa it seems to be better soil and the roads are sprinkled, in fact they were sprinkled near all the towns we came through. The State Asylum is about a mile from Napa City and it has fine buildings and well kept grounds.

Napa River is on a level with the surrounding country and at high tide



A Eucalyptus Grove
growing near Napa, on top of a mountain
near the summit of which is a large
ledge of rock.



Vineyards Near Forestville.

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time it spreads over the adjacent land which is tule and swamp land.

Napa City has beautiful residences and lawns and seems to be a very lively town commercially. Napa City is connected with Vallejo by an Electrical Interurban Line and is 18 miles from Cordelia.

About 5 miles out of Napa City are some fine apple orchards, and further on you find some long steep hills. Near Sonoma City you find vineyards and orchards in fact they are found in all the valleys in Sonoma Co. The trees, vines, fruit, & grapes can't compare with Yolo Co. product, either in size or flavor.

Sonoma City is 12 miles from Napa and has some fine residences, stores, and a nice new Carnegie Library. About a mile and a half out from Sonoma City we ate our lunch. Every mile or two between Sonoma City & Santa Rosa you come past a saloon. Between Sonoma City & Kenwood is a stairway going up into an oak tree; from this tree to a clump of trees about 100 ft. away, is a swinging bridge and amongst the limbs of this clump of trees, about 30 ft. from the ground, is a 20 X 30 ft. dancing platform. Kenwood is 11 miles from Sonoma City, and Santa Rosa is 10 miles from Kenwood.



A Glimpse of Forestville.



A Scene Between Forestville & Guerneville

Between Sonoma City and Kenwood are many summer resorts, springs, and one large swimming pavilion. Between ~~Kenwood~~ and Santa Rosa we met 3 drunks the only ones we saw during our 4 weeks sojourn in Sonoma Co.

Near Santa Rosa are some hop fields. We got to Santa Rosa at dusk and we drove down 4th Street to within a couple of blocks of the depot where we put up at Sam Grahams Livery Stable for the night. The next morning we walked around and took in the city.

The court house which covers very nearly a whole block, and is a 3 story building over a basement, was nearing completion. Santa Rosa is a very busy as well as a beautiful city, in fact the most beautiful and

tidiest city I ever saw. On the other side of Santa Rosa are some big hop fields and 7 miles out from Santa Rosa is the Laguna, a tule and water lily grown stream.

Near Forestville, 12 miles from Santa Rosa, the country is all orchards and vineyards. Forestville is built on a hill. Between Forestville & Guerneville, 8 miles apart, are hop fields, orchards & vineyards. Guerneville is on the bank of the Russian River, a very beautiful stream, and is a great summer resort.

After you leave Guerneville to go to Duncan Mills, 8 miles away, you commence to climb and you imagine you'll soon be up amongst the stars while way below you is the river and railroad track.



Duncan Mills.



Near The Mouth Of The Russian River. The island is about 250 yds. wide by $\frac{3}{4}$ of a mile long and is about 300 yards from either shore. Two Portuguese live on it and they have a little barge on which they tow their produce behind their row boats to main land.

When we got near Duncans Mills some Italians had chopped a tree down and it had fallen across the road, so we had to turn back. After a lot of trouble we got some hay and camped for the night. The next morning we forded the Russian River, the water came up to the wagon bed. We boys drove to far on a grade and had to unhook the team and lift the wagon around.

Duncan Mills is quite a popular summer resort although the buildings are mostly all shacks such as you find around lumber camps. Markham, 8 miles from Duncan Mills is a lumber camp that was running but at Jennings, a mile from Markham, the

mill was shut down and 3 miles further
on, at the shipping point, the place was de-
serted.

Here we obtained our first view of the
ocean and it was grand. We tried to get here
here but were sent on to the next ranch.

Here we came to a long steep hill. At each
ranch we were ~~told~~ to go to the next ranch
and we might get some hay. At the fork
of the roads that lead to Fort Ross & Sea View
we took the Fort Ross road.

Fort Ross was settled by the Russians long
before the "Gold Rush of 49" and some of the
buildings are still standing although they
suffered greatly in the earth quake of April
18th, 1906.



Fishing at Salt Point.



An Old Shipping Point At The Ribach Cove.
Used in pioneer lumber days.

As it was dusk when we were there we couldn't take any pictures. Here also was the shipwrecked Pomona, which a San Francisco firm commenced raising the next week. They got \$60,000 for that job. We couldn't get any hay here but a mile further on we were allowed to turn our team in on a fed off pasture and we boys slept in the barn.

The next morning we came past Timber Cove $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles from Fort Ross, which has a store, and is a shipping point. The first house we came to we asked after hay and the party told us to unload our stuff and go about four miles over the hill and we could get all the hay we wanted but when we got there we couldn't

get any.

On our way back we ran across two men hauling hay. They said it belonged to a Mr. McKerlie who came from Woodland, so we drove down over a new mountain road to get acquainted with this Mr. McKerlie, and when we got there we found his wife to be Roxie Doraen an old schoolmate of mine.

Nothing would do but we must get our luggage and stop with them, which we were glad to do. McKerlie's Ranch is the Salt Point Ranch and is $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles from Timber Cove or 158 miles from our home ranch.

That night we met Roxie's mother, and Roxie's sisters Ruth, & Gertie, also her Uncle Dail Puderbaugh who was there on a weeks visit. He had killed ~~a~~ deer that day with his 22



Another View Of The Ribach Cove.



Breakers At Salt Point.

Salt Point is where the stone for the San Francisco Mint Building was quarried.

rifle. The next morning Mrs. Loran initiated us in abaloning and we had fine luck catching about a hundred but when it came to cleaning them the fun was gone, although when they are set before you to eat, you feel amply repaid for your work. We boys often went fishing and abaloning but we never had any success.

What with hunting, although we never got to shoot at any deer; hazelnutting, huckleberrring, fishing, & swimming the time past all too quickly.

On the 23rd of August I went with Henry Case, Mc Kerlie's hiredman, to.

Cazadero after a ton of alfalfa hay.

We took four horses and a little Democrat wagon. That night we put up at the Buena Vista Hotel, run by Italians and the bedbugs nearly ate us up.

On the 28th of August Mrs. Doraen and the girls left for Woodland and the next two days we helped Mc Kerlie butcher.

On the 29th so many vessels came by close to shore owing to a raging norther.

On the 3rd of September we bid farewell to Salt Point and started for home taking with us Mrs. Doraen's dog Shep and her rubber plant. We came past Sea View, 7 miles from Salt Point and 15 miles from Cazadero.



More Breakers.

Under the rocks in the foreground is where we caught the abalones.



More Breakers.

Salt Point was an important shipping
point and lumber camp in early days.

The first mile after you leave Cazadero is a very hard climb then you go down hill for a mile where you come to a little stream. Here we ate our lunch. The next 4 miles are up hill and the other 4 miles are down hill, this brings you to Guerneville. From here on the road was the same one we went up on.

That night we camped at the Laguna House, 7 miles from Santa Rosa. The next afternoon when we got to Napa, Barnum & Bailey's circus was there and we overtook about 200 or more inmates of the asylum going home from the circus. There was a guard for every 2 or 3 patients.

Some of the patients were quarreling and throwing rocks at each other but when they got to the gate they had to go through in single file so that they could be counted.

That night we put ~~our~~ team up at the Green Valley Livery Stable in Cordelia, and we ate supper at the Green Valley Hotel. Next morning after waiting until 7 o'clock we left with out breakfast and got to Winters at 11.30 o'clock where we ate our luncheon, getting to the Hawkins place at 3 o'clock to find the boys just getting home from fighting fire at Stoddards.

Altogether we had a very pleasant trip although we couldn't take as many pictures as we liked to have owing to the foggy and



A Happy Family.
The house was a large hotel in pioneer
days.



Grandma And The Grandchildren.

cloudy weather in Sonoma Co. both going and coming.

Here is a list of the towns we came through and their distances, the latter we could only get by asking the inhabitants and as no two told the same distances we had to use our own judgement therefore they may not be quite correct.

11 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles to Winters.	12 miles Forestville.
14 " " Vacaville.	8 " Guerneville.
16 " " Fairfield.	8 " Duncan Mills.
7 $\frac{1}{2}$ " " Cordelia.	8 " Markham.
18 " " Napa.	1 " Jennings.
12 " " Sonoma City.	14 " Fort Ross.
11 " " Kenwood.	2 $\frac{1}{2}$ " Timber Cove.
10 " " Santa Rosa.	4 $\frac{1}{2}$ " Salt Point.

7 miles to Sea View
10 " " Buena Vista Hotel.
5 " " Cazadero.
10 " " Guerneville.

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"Mack" Helping Buster To Pose.



Scene Near Sea View.

Taken early in the morning while the fog
was on the mountain tops.



Scene Near Buena Vista Hotel.
A lot of goats & kids on a large rock,
with the sign, "Read The Call", painted on
the rock. Taken after 6 o'clock when the rock
was in the shadows.



McKerlie's Blacksmithshop, Separator-
room, & Granary.



Milking Time.



Preparing "Jerkey."
Lail Puderbaugh drying his venison.



after a Tussle With Uncle
Dail.



A Vine Covered Shed At The Riebach Place



Residence Riebach Place.



A Large Redwood Tree Growing On
A Large Rock Near Cazadero
The rock is about 50 ft square & 40 ft high
and the tree is over 3 ft in diameter.



Sutherland Resort.
Between Cazadero & Guerneville.



More of The Sutherland Resort.



Another View of Forestville.



Scheiber Residence, Fish Mill.

